

SAN ANTONIO LIBRARY EVENTS



Many more Hispanic Heritage Month activities are happening at area libraries. Contact your favorite branch to find events taking place near you or call 207-2500.

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are free and open to the public.

Call First! We urge you to call your library before heading out for a special program. Cancellations do occasionally occur.

September 8 – October 15 Memorial - Art Alive @ the Library: A Gallery Showing of San Antonio Artists. Opening Reception: September 9 at 2:00 p.m. Special Hispanic Heritage exhibit presented in partnership with Making Connections, WestSide Alive displays works of local artists.

September 15 – October 15 Central - Lucha Libre exhibit by Xavier Garza. Opening reception on September 21 at 6:00 p.m. with special appearance by San Antonio luchadores! Gallery, 1st Floor.

Saturday, September 16 Memorial - 9:00 a.m. - Hispanic Genealogy with Larry Kirkpatrick: Start the search for your Hispanic ancestors as you learn the best methods of research. (AA) (TA)

Cody - 1:00 p.m. - Traditional Mexican dances with the Ballet Fólklórico de Cielo. (FA)

Monday, September 18 Central - 6:30 p.m. - Make Your Own Lucha Libro mask! (TA)

Memorial - 6:00 p.m. - The Hispanic Association of College and Universities presents Internship and Scholarship Opportunities. (TA)

Tuesday, September 19 Central - 6:00 p.m. - Complete the library scavenger hunt and win a prize!

Collins Garden - 6:30 p.m. - Papel Picado Workshop with Kathleen Trenchard (class limited to 25; please register). Also at Cortez branch on September 23 at 2:00 p.m.

Memorial - 6:00 p.m. - Every Tuesday beginning September 19, 6-week series: Basic Guitar with classical guitarist Moisés Hernández. Class space is limited; please register.

Wednesday, September 20 Central - 6:30 p.m. - Teen Taco Talk: crispy tacos and speaking your mind. (TA)

- AA - Adult Activity
- CA - Children's Activity
- FA - Family Activity
- TA - Teen Activity

Las Palmas - 7:00 p.m. - Learn to make tortillas with María Maldonado and salsa with Oscar González! (AA)

Thursday, September 21 Memorial - 6:30 p.m. - Efraín Gutiérrez hosts a discussion of two of his documentaries selected to be restored and preserved by UCLA's Television and Film Archives. El Juanío explores the issue of paint sniffing on the westside of San Antonio in 1979; La Onda Chicana documents the Chicano/ Tejano music scene of the 1970's.

Memorial - 4:00 p.m. - Every Thursday beginning September 21: The San Antonio College Family Learning Academy presents a basic literary program to help students and adults improve reading skills. English as a second language (ESL) students encouraged to attend. Call 733-2496 for more information.

Saturday, September 23 Central - 10:00 a.m. - Author Sandra Cisneros discusses the library's place in a writer's life and career. Auditorium (AA)

Bazan - 2:00 p.m. - Hispanic Trivia: Learning About Our Past. Fascinating information about the contributions of Hispanic culture. (AA)

Tuesday, September 26 and October 3 Cody - 7:00 p.m. - Applying to college: Hope Young, UTSA Associate Director of Admissions, presents college application and financial aid information.

Wednesday, September 27 Collins Garden - 6:30 p.m. - Learn to make salsa with Oscar González. (AA)

Memorial - 6:30 p.m. - Xavier Garza presents Chupacabra, Creepy Creatures, and Other Cucuys: Scary Tales That Formed the Tejano Culture.

Thursday, September 28 Oakwell - 10:00 a.m. - Storytime and craft: Lucha Libre mask (CA)

Memorial - 6:30 p.m.- ¡Salsa! Hot and Spicy or Sweet and Mild: Learn how to make Latin American favorites, including specialties from the Yucatán and Argentinean chimichurri.

Saturday, September 30 Central - 2:00 p.m. - Artist and author Xavier Garza presents hands-on activity to show you how to draw your own luchador. Teens ONLY - limited seating.

Bazan - 2:00 p.m. - Rosemary Lozano presents Flores de Fiesta: the Art of Paper Flowers. Learn the festive art of making paper flowers in the traditional Mexican style.

Monday, October 2 Semmes - 7:00 p.m. - Book Discussion: Laura Esquivel's Swift as Desire.

Memorial - 6:30 p.m. - The Society of Latino and Hispanic Writers of San Antonio presents How to Get Published.

Tuesday, October 3 Central - 6:00 p.m. - Spice It Up! Join us in the Global Vegetarian Kitchen to make Brazilian Vegetable Feijoada. Space is limited. Teens ONLY, please!

Central - 6:30 p.m. - Steven Murdock, Ph.D., State Demographer presents Trends in Population: San Antonio and Texas.

Wednesday, October 4 Westfall - 6:00 p.m. - Alfombras (colored sand paintings). (TA)

Memorial - 6:30 p.m. - Poet Imelda García Zapata hosts Poemas Por Su Vida / Neighborhood Readings: share your favorite poem, original or by another author.

Saturday, October 7 Memorial - 2:00 p.m. - Chandra Murthy presents College Application and Financial Aid MADE EASY! Learn everything you need to GET PREPARED for college: how to apply for financial aid and scholarships, how to construct powerful application essays, and much more!

Cortez- 2:00 p.m. - Classical Guitarist Ray Tamez performs compositions by Latin American and Spanish composers.

Sunday, October 8 Central - 1:00 p.m. - Screening of Clemente: La Lucha/The Struggle, followed by a discussion of digital filmmaking with the film's writer and director Pablo Veliz.

Monday, October 9 Memorial - 6:30 p.m. - The Man Behind the Mask: the Many Faces of David Cantú, Cruz Diablo. Cantú wrestled professionally in the 1950's, was one of the top ten referees in the U.S. and the first Hispanic to referee on television. He will provide a first-hand, historical, and cultural account of the international phenomenon of wrestling.

Saturday, October 14 Bazan - 2:30 p.m. - Guadalupe Dance Academy presents an afternoon of traditional Mexican folk dance.

Central	600 Soledad	207-2500
Bazan	2200 W. Commerce	225-1614
Cody	11441 Vance Jackson.	696-6396
Collins	200 N. Park	225-0331
Cortez	2803 Hunter.	922-7372
Las Palmas	515 Castroville Rd.	434-6394
Memorial	3222 Culebra	432-6783
Oakwell	4134 Harry Wurzbach	828-2569
Semmes	15060 Judson Rd.	650-9540
Westfall	6111 Rosedale Ct.	344-2373



CITY OF SAN ANTONIO
DIEZ Y SEIS DE SEPTIEMBRE
2006 CALENDAR OF EVENTS

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH

Friday, September 1
Diez y Seis de Septiembre
News Conference
Spanish Governor's Palace, 105 Plaza de Armas.
Join the 16 de Septiembre Commission as it officially kicks off this year's Mexican Independence festivities. 9:00 a.m. 207-8979

Thursday, September 7
Diez y Seis de Septiembre Proclamation
City Council Meeting, City Council Chamber, Municipal Plaza Bldg., 114 W. Commerce.
Mayor Phil Hardberger will issue a proclamation declaring the official beginning of the Diez y Seis de Septiembre festivities. 5:00 p.m. 207-8979

Diez y Seis de San Antonio – FOTOSEPTIEMBRE
Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center, Visual Media Arts School & Gallery, 723 S. Brazos.
Opening reception: 7:00 p.m. Exhibit on display: September 1 – 22. Viewing hours: Monday - Friday, 9:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m. A vintage photography exhibit commemorating Diez y Seis de Septiembre celebrations from the early 1900's to 1940's. In partnership with City of San Antonio 16 de Septiembre Commission, The Institute of Texan Cultures, and FOTOSEPTIEMBRE USA. 271-3151 or 207-8979

Friday, September 8
Fiestas Patrias en la Avenida Guadalupe - Diez y Seis Gala
Hyatt Regency, 123 Losoya, Regency Ballroom.
Reception: 6:00 p.m.; Dinner/Program: 7:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
Elegant dinner and ERNIE award presentation. The ERNIE, named after Ernest C. Olivares, is given each year to recognize outstanding service and commitment to the Avenida Guadalupe Neighborhood. Keynote Speaker: John Phillip Santos, author of *Places Left Unfinished at the Time of Creation*. Ernie Award: Individual - Pastor Fred Garcia; Business - Giovanni's Pizzeria; Civic - Mary Cruz; Large Corporation - Laredo National Bank; Lifetime Achievement - Arthur Emerson. By ticket only. 223-3151 or imorales@agatx.org

Sunday, September 10
16 de Septiembre Mass
San Fernando Cathedral, 111 Soledad.
8:00 a.m. Reception to follow.

Diez y Seis Scholarship Awards Reception
The Alameda National Center for Latino Arts and Culture, 318 W. Houston.
The Diez y Seis de Septiembre Commission awards scholarships to deserving local students. Emcee: Maclovio Perez, WOAI, Channel 4 Meteorologist.
Entertainment: Show Janitzio. 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. 207-8979

Wednesday, September 13
Viva Mi Cultura Dance Demonstration
Guadalupe Theater, 1301 Guadalupe Street.
Hour-long interactive lecture and dance demonstration featuring the Guadalupe Dance Company performing a variety of traditional Mexican Folklórico dances. Young audiences can see professional dancers perform, talk with them, ask questions and even have a “mini” dance class on stage. Lively program encourages a deeper understanding and appreciation for Mexican culture and traditions. Free for area schools. 1:30 p.m. For reservations, call 271-3151 extension 24.

Friday, September 15
Senior Kermes
Convention Center, Ballroom A.
For seniors registered at City nutrition centers. Featuring a dance, mariachis and food. Contests and awards to follow for best regional costumes and table decorating. 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. 207-7172

Official Ceremony of “El Grito” - 196th Anniversary of Mexico's Independence
Municipal Auditorium, 100 Auditorium Circle.
7:00 p.m. Free admission. 227-9145, ext. 225 or 223-5100

Friday - Sunday, September 15 - 17
Diez y Seis Fiestas Patrias Celebration at Market Square
Market Square, 514 W. Commerce.
Three days of great entertainment, food and fun for the entire family awaits everyone as the LULAC Ladies Council 648 brings an array of musical talent, mariachis and folklorico groups of all ages to help celebrate Diez y Seis in San Antonio. Opening Ceremonies - Friday at 5:00 p.m. on Mariachi Stage with scholarship awards presented to students by local dignitaries, followed by dancing groups and bands. Saturday: 12:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Sunday: 12:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m. 207-8600

Saturday, September 16
Civic Ceremony
HemisFair Park, Plaza Mexico, 600 HemisFair Way.
Commemoration of the main figure of the Mexican Independence, Don Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla. 10:00 a.m. Free admission. 227-9145, ext. 225 or 223-5100

Festival de Los Niños
Plaza Juarez, La Villita.
In partnership with Wal-Mart, performances by Cat Paws, the Magik Children's Theatre, Perpetual Puppets presenting the Diez y Seis de Septiembre story, and the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center youth troupe. Mexican cultural activities by the San Antonio Library, the San Antonio Children's Museum, and the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center. Free hot dogs, cotton candy, sno-cones, face and hair painting. Free and open to all children and families. 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 207-8979

Saturday, September 16
Mariachi Concert
Arneson River Theatre, La Villita.
Free concert featuring local middle schools, high schools, college and professional mariachi groups and ballet folklorico dancers from the Guadalupe Cultural Arts Center. Emcee: Elizabeth Ruiz, KTSA – 550 AM. 5:00 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. 207-8979

Fiestas Patrias en la Avenida Guadalupe - Parade
New route begins at S. Brazos and Guadalupe streets, continues west on Guadalupe to Zarzamora and disbands at the Texas Diabetes Institute, 701 S. Zarzamora. Starts at 11:00 a.m. Time Warner Cable presents Nicholas Gonzales of FOX's *The OC* as Grand Marshal. Honorary Grand Marshal: Spurs Coyote. Parade will be televised nationally on Telemundo (KVDA-TV 60) and its affiliates. Following the parade, awards will be presented during the Festival (see details below). 223-3151 or imorales@agatx.org

Fiestas Patrias en la Avenida Guadalupe - Festival
Plaza Guadalupe, 1327 Guadalupe St.
Free admission to top-notch entertainment from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 p.m. with headliner La Mafia and opening bands Solido, Grupo Mojado, Los De La Cumbia, Los Padrinos, and Pochimex. Kid's Area, open to families from 10:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m., features games, moonwalks, special appearances from the Spurs Coyote and other characters. 223-3151 or imorales@agatx.org

Sunday, September 17
Diez y Seis de Septiembre Charreada
6126 Padre Dr.
The San Antonio Charro Association will hold their annual Charreada. Gates open at 1:00 p.m. Charreada starts at 3:00 p.m. Food and beverage booths will be available. Admission is \$10.00 for adults; children 12 and under are free. Purchase tickets at the gate. 532-0693



Hispanic Heritage Month at your public library

Activities below will take place at various branches. Check with your local library for dates and times or call **207-2500**.

Animalitos
Using traditional, brightly-colored fabrics, mothers in Guatemala make their children little stuffed toys known as animalitos. Come enjoy a few animal stories and make a paper animalito of your own. (FA)

Maripositas
Every autumn thousands of monarch butterflies migrate hundreds of miles to live out the winter in the cool, moist forests of central Mexico. Learn about all sorts of butterflies, then make your own sun-catching mariposita. (FA)

Baleros
Children everywhere love to play catch. In Latin America, a favorite catching game is played with a balero. This traditional toy features a small ball tied to a string and attached to a cup or cone. Catch on to this creative craft. (FA)

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MIGUEL HIDALGO Y COSTILLA AND THE GRITO DE DOLORES

Just as George Washington is considered the father of the United States, Miguel Hidalgo y Costilla is known as the man who directed Mexico to independence.

At the time of Hidalgo's birth, Mexico was known as New Spain. In his adult years, Hidalgo was highly critical of the ruling Spanish government's treatment of the indigenous and mestizo people. In addition, there was widespread hunger and disease. Hidalgo acquired many allies among the intelligentsia and lower middle classes. Spurred in part by the success of the U.S. Colonists, the movement to overthrow the Spanish government was underway. The Mexican patriots were fine-tuning details for their outbreak, including escape routes to Bejar and Nacogdoches, when they were discovered by the Spanish authorities.

On the morning of September 16, 1810, Hidalgo and his compatriots took up arms and imprisoned Spanish officials in in the town of Dolores, Guanajuato. Hidalgo then urged the townspeople to rally to the Mexican cause. His exhortation of freedom

Máscaras
From the ancient ceremonial masks of the Aztecs to the contemporary head coverings of Lucha Libre, masks are a long-standing tradition in the art and culture of Latin America. Join that tradition by making your own mask. (CA)

Paper Molas
Traditional among the folk artists of Panama, molas are colorfully layered fabric designs used to decorate clothing. Come try your hand at mola-making using layers of paper. (CA)

Luchadores!
Visit with real professional wrestlers from American Championship Wrestlers. Learn about their training, their moves and how to be a wrestler. (TA)

College Is Possible for You – presented by The San Antonio Education Partnership.

Art Exhibit – by SAY Si students Sept. 15 – Oct. 15

Texas Center for the Book presents Latino Voices: Xavier Garza or Carmen Tafolla. (AA)

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and justice is known as the Grito de Dolores and is the watershed event in Mexican history. Town after town fell into the revolutionaries' control, but it would be ten years before Mexican independence would be achieved. The crown was able to repel, at high cost, the subsequent thrusts by Hidalgo. In Saltillo, Coahuila, the viceroy offered Hidalgo a pardon if he would cease and desist from his revolutionary actions. Hidalgo replied, “El indulto es para los criminales no para los defensores de la patria,” or “Pardons are for criminals, not for defenders of the motherland.” He eventually was captured in Monclova, Coahuila, and put to death on July 30, 1811.

Hidalgo's actions were not in vain, however, as other Mexican patriots such as first president, José María Morelos, and Ignacio López Rayon were successful in their fight against the Spanish crown.

Today, the Grito de Dolores symbolizes Mexico's pursuit of truth and justice which Hidalgo spawned.

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